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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, PEPR, PINS, SHUM, DR
SUBJECT: PRESIDENT-ELECT ANNOUNCED POLICY ON POLITICAL PRISONERS

1. PRESIDENT-ELECT ANTONIO GUZMAN STATED IN A JUNE 1
PRESS CONFERENCE THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD PURSUE AN
"OPEN DOOR" POLICY WITH RESPECT TO POLITICAL PRISONERS
AND EXILES. GUZMAN ADDED THAT POLITICAL PRISONERS
WOULD BE LIBERATED AND EXILES REPATRIATED ONLY AFTER
"CONSIDERED STUDY" OF EACH CASE INDIVIDUALLY.

2. THE PARTIDO REVOLUCIONARIO DOMINICANO LEADER
EMPHASIZED HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD BE ONE OF SPEEDY JUSTICE
WORKING FOR THE FURTHER INSTITUTIONALIZATION AND FORTI-
FICATION OF HABEAS CORPUS. AND WHEN NECESSARY, HE STATED,
LAWS WILL BE REVISED, BUT ALWAYS KEEPING THE NATIONAL
INTEREST IN MIND. HE REITERATED THAT UNDER THE PRD, THERE
WILL BE NO "PRISONERS WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION."

3. COMMENT: THE PRD'S CAMPAIGN PLATFORM CALLED
FOR IMPROVED TREATMENT AND DUE PROCESS FOR "POLITICAL
PRISONERS" AND EXILES. NONETHELESS, GUZMAN'S DISCUSSION
OF THE SUBJECT NOW WILL LIKELY HEIGHTEN UNEASINESS OF
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SECURITY FORCES AND OTHERS WHO LOOK ON MANY OF THESE PRISONERS
AND EXILES AS "COMMUNIST-TERRORISTS."
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